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BEFORE AND AFTER.

The following from the Campbell Citizen, just before and just after the hog law went into effect, might give some one in Hayti an idea:

"The hog law goes into effect Saturday, May 1. Have you made the necessary arrangements to keep that old chicken-eating, razor-back confined? If not, you had better sell her on the farm, or knock her on the head and call the scavenger to haul her away at the expense of the town. The best feature of the hog law is the moral one, as by keeping the hogs penned up there will be no lying about the ownership in case one should die. Heretofore it has been quite an expense to the city to have them hauled off, as but very few people have acknowledged to being owners of dead hogs."

"The hog law went into effect last Saturday, since which time hogs have been as scarce on the streets as men angels. The swine raisers in Campbell took advantage of the 25 days allowed them by the board of aldermen to dispose of their hogs, and as a result the surrounding farmers purchased and drove 1941 shoats to their pastures, the dealers got 20 car loads of the fattest and shipped them to the market, leaving 600 old razor-back sows and 300 pigs penned up in the lots and back yards of the town. The hog law certainly put the swine industry of Campbell on the hog. If the cow nuisance could be treated likewise Campbell would soon be a pleasant abiding place."

FAIRNESS.

Within the past week or two some matters have come under our own personal observation, and we have made a personal investigation, which causes us to remark that people who unfortunately go into a place where there is contagious disease, which at that time has neither been reported or quarantined, and contract that disease, might have a damage cause against the city, and under the ordinances of the city, which ordinances we have cited on another occasion, a person who scatters a contagious disease is liable to prosecution.

We are putting this mildly. It is not our purpose to be harsh, although in this instance we could be very pointed.

It is just as fair to quarantine one family as it is another.

We know more than we are telling along this line.

GEO. DORRIS' POTATOES.

There is no more law-abiding, industrious and conservative citizen any where than Geo. Dorris, and among George's many accumulations this spring towards an honest dollar and the support of his family was a potato patch, which he had a right to possess, as he owned the ground, planted the potatoes and worked them himself.

But some of the city razor-backs must have thought differently, for the other morning when George went out to admire his beautiful garden it looked more like a huge doodle-bug nest, and scattered here and there you could see several pairs of lean hams just protruding above the ground, while the business ends were busily engaged in drilling for the potatoes.

We have a sneaking idea George agrees with Frank Perkins and the Herald, for once.

THE DOG LAW.

Get the dog law into effect before the hot weather arrives. If the law needs fixing, fix it now. We notice that most towns have a more effective dog law than Hayti, and there is no reason why Hayti should not handle this matter along with the other cities and get the benefit of the tax.

It is our opinion that this tax ought to be collectable at any time, as new dogs come to town on which taxes have not been paid, and as young dogs arrive at a taxable age, or make the law apply to dogs of any age.

The new board should look into this matter at once, and not lose any time getting tags, etc.

The town is over run with dogs, and many of them are not only worthless, but dangerous to the public, and especially to women and children.

Call for a bottle of Tip Top, Lemp's special brew. Caruthersville.

CLEAN UP.

It is time of the year now for a general cleaning up, and this should be among the first matters to receive the attention of the new board.

This is one of the matters that should be pushed with a vim and no let-up until the desired results are obtained.

Warm weather is right at hand, and the health of our city demands prompt and efficient action.

Make the order general and enforce it.

Repeal the license on home photographers and enact one for traveling men. The home man is a help to the town. He not only spends his money at home, but he keeps other people from going away from home to spend money for pictures. Instead of driving people away from our town, let's try to keep those we have and get more to come. There is not enough photographic business in Hayti for a home man to pay license, and we have went hungry and starved our children in order to pay this city the paltry sum of \$3.50 a quarter, and the board of aldermen at that time turned a deaf ear to us. We are not in that business now, but "a man's a man" just the same, and his right to earn an honest living should not be denied.

The stores have entered into an agreement to close every night except Saturday and Monday nights at 7:30. This is a good thing when people become accustomed to it, and has a double purpose. It not only gives the merchants and clerks more rest, but causes men and boys to spend more time at home by closing up their loading places, and they soon learn to enjoy their evenings at home. Long hours do not sell any more goods, but creates the habit of waiting for night to trade. Of course some of them will kick when the change comes in their town for the first time, but as a city grows people must adapt themselves to new conditions. Every merchant should faithfully stick to this agreement.

The board of health should get well-organized and ready for spring business. There is considerable work to be done, and more especially at this season of the year. It is not a good idea to put off until hot weather to do cleaning up, and if there was nothing else to demand attention, the new board should lose no time in getting all its machinery in good working shape and get started right.

Don't forget the special election next Monday. This election is to fill the vacancy on the board of aldermen, caused by the resignation of Henry Dorch, in Ward No. 2. Let every citizen who is interested in the welfare of Hayti get interested in this election and work for the city's good. We want the very best man we can get for this place.

We have just discovered a way to find who borrows the Herald and who does not, and we believe it will figure about one-dozen readers to one subscriber. Just say something these borrowing readers does not like, and there's trouble right now; in fact, they are a great deal harder to please than those who pay their subscription.

Have you seen any hogs on the streets the past few days? No one is mad.—Malden Merit.

Come over to Hayti, Brother. All the hogs and their daddies want to whip the editor and "spile his bisnes" because we favor a hog law.

The city council should appoint some one to keep the city hall clean, or to sweep it out at least once a month. This cannot be placed on the marshal. The hallway and rooms should be kept clean and the doors closed.

The past few days has seen some lively times and the monotony of the police court was broken, but it has never been our custom to chronicle these matters.

Who is going to be city assessor? That office has been created. The office is appointive.

If you don't see it in the Herald it is because you did not tell us.

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